

**TO:** MEMBERS OF THE MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION

**FROM:** Donald Wiswell, CHAIRMAN

**DATE:** August 28, 2003

**SUBJECT:** MEETING Wednesday, August 27, 2003

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The next commission meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 7, 2003** at the Maine Motor Transport, Whitten Road, Augusta. The phone number is 623-4128.

THE AUGUST MEETING WILL START AT 9:00 AM

1. Approve minutes of August 27, 2003 meeting.
2. Discuss pending matters, complaints, responses, application, etc.
3. New Business.
4. Public Comments.

## **MAINE WATER WELL DRILLING COMMISSION**

Minutes of August 27, 2003 Meeting

### **Members Present:**

Don Wiswell (Chairman)  
Ed Bowie  
Glenn Dyer  
David Braley  
Rodney Pratt  
Chris Olson

### **Others Present:**

Ike Goodwin  
Dean Getchell  
Paul Gauvreau  
Delwin Philbrick  
Debbie Dyer  
Carol Champagne

### **Call to Order:**

Meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM.

### **Approval of July 16, 2002 meeting minutes:**

Glenn Dyer made a motion to accept the minutes of July 16, 2003 and Marc Loiselle 2<sup>nd</sup>. Accepted unanimously.

### **Update on Complaints:**

Alita Green vs Fleming Well Drilling - The Commission needs to see the water test from Fleming Well Drilling before the October meeting before being able to close this complaint. Send Letter to Fleming Well Drilling.

Stephen Wright vs P.L. Jones - David Braley will send a letter to Mr Jones to ask for the identity of the driller that drilled Mr. Wright's well.

Shawn Benoit vs Gerry Hill Well Drilling Bacteria problem exist and Dean will take a "B" water test.

David Silver vs Robert Bell Driller - A motion was made by Rodney Pratt and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glenn Dyer to suspend Mr. Bell's drillers license and the company's license. The Commission states the problem must be corrected within 30 days even if Mr. Bell needs to hire another driller. Mr. Bell can request the reinstatement of his license after the problem with

the well is corrected to the satisfaction of the Commission. Motion passed

Gregory Beane vs Carmel Well Drilling - The Commission found a violation of the Rules concerning the construction of the well, specifically, the set back is only 35' from the septic tank. The well doesn't meet the 100' setback required by the Rules on the drilling date. Marc Loiselle made a motion and Chris Olsen 2<sup>nd</sup> it. The Commission voted to have a new well drilled that meets code and abandon the old well within 60 days. David Braley and Don Wiswell abstained from voting. Mr. Rudnicki will also receive a warning about sending in reports to the Maine Geological Survey.

Cheryl Cook vs Road Runner David Braley made a motion to give the Attorney Generals Office permission to proceed with the investigation and Marc 2<sup>nd</sup>. It.

Second issue, Marc made a motion to have Dean camera and inspect the well and Chris 2<sup>nd</sup> it. A compliant letter was sent to P. L. Peaslee. Both motions passed.

Hoyt & Cheryl Fairbrother vs Burnett Well Drilling The complaint includes four issues: the well continues to have E-Coli contamination after disinfecting, set back is only 66' from the leach field, insufficient casing, and no Specialty Well Application requested. Rodney made a motion to require the well be abandoned and have the driller drill a new well to current standards, Glenn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed Dean will inspect for set back requirements.

Gary & Sue Campbell vs John S Gilbert Well Drilling Inc. The violation is from leaking seal. Marc made a motion to have the bottom seal at 30' and Chris 2<sup>nd</sup> it.

### **Complaints Closed**

Eugene Bass vs Gerry Hill Well Drilling - Closed

Greg & Laura Paquet vs Philbrick's Well Drilling - The Commission found no violation with the construction

of the well. A letter will be cc'd to the town of Smithfield. Closed

Gene Knight vs Estey Water Wells - Closed

Rick Curtis vs Fleming Well Drilling - Closed

### **New Complaints**

Serena Daigle vs Merl "Sam" Dunham - Complaint is dirt and grit plugging the filter. Rodney made a motion to request a water test be provided to the Commission and to request more information from Ms. Daigle, Glenn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

### **Speciality Wells**

Mark Dodge - Lawrence Lord Drilling - Approved as requested with 20' of casing.

Peter Nadeau - Goodwin Well and Water - Approved with 90' of casing if no other spot is accessible.

### **Examinations Requested**

Westley D Stinson II, Charleston ME, employed by Merl "Sam" Dunham. OK

### **Examination Passed**

William Johnson, Journeyman Well Driller, Robert Johnson Well Drilling, Stockton Springs ME.

April Libby, Pump Installers and Journeyman Well Driller, Yankee Water Systems Inc, North Waterboro ME.

Brian Smith, Journeyman Well Driller, Affordable Wells, Topsham ME.

### **Other Business**

The Commission will go to rule making this month and Ike Goodwin will check on the location.

**Meeting Adjourned** The meeting was adjourned at 12:45.

The next Well Drillers Meeting will be:  
**Tuesday, October 7, 2003.**